

# COLEORTON PARISH COUNCIL MINUTES

Due to the Coronavirus outbreak, a meeting of Coleorton Parish Council wade held VIRTUALLY via Zoom on Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> December at 7:00pm.

## 1. Apologies

- a. None

## 2. Declarations of interest

- a. None

## 3. To sign and approve minutes of the meeting held on Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> November 2020

- a. Approved proposed by Cllr R. Hughes and 2nd by Cllr Terry Betts.

## 4. Public Participation: **To comply with data protection requirements, if members of the public wish NOT to have their name shown on screen, they should change their screen name on Zoom prior to joining the meeting.**

- a. Mark Reeve from Preston Lane wanted to make his concerns known re the planned work on the old workhouse site.
- b. Sandra Dillon talked about the millennium garden to say that they were pleased with progress there this yer. Ms Dhillon went on to discuss the planning application at the bottom of Moor Lane. Coleorton Heritage group concerned that there may be some remnants of archaeology remains of the Coleorton Workhouse. She also wished to record thanks to Cllr Stafford and Cllr Mursell re the village Green.
- c. It was noted that some members of the public were unable to access the meeting using the pin and passcode shown on the agenda, whilst most attendees were able to join successfully. Resolved that the Zoom link would also be included on the agenda for future meetings.

## 5. Police Reports

- a. It was agreed that it would be beneficial to invite our Police Liaison Officer be at the Parish Council meetings and that they should be contacted prior to the meeting. Resolved that this would happen from now on.

## 6. Enrichment and Three-Year Plan

- a. Three Year Plan
  - i. Cllr Akroyd asked for flexibility on the three-year plan but ultimately is happy with all that is on there. Cllr Hughes is concerned that as a PC we have not actively engaged with parishioners and feels that this is something that we need to do as a priority. (On the plan so far has only been Railings, Xmas and Bake House) Cllr Stafford is concerned that there is no plan of action at present which we will need in order to utilise the current PC reserves. Resolved that we will prepare a plan, and all councillors are in favour of getting the ball rolling. Further resolved that we would coordinate a kick-off meeting at a date to be confirmed.
- b. Millennium Gardens
  - i. No change from previous meeting. A budget has been provided for shrubs to plant in the area but owing to lockdown this is on hold. It was also noted that the benches on the garden need repair. Resolved that we will keep the item on the agenda.
- c. Railings: Ownership and Maintenance
  - i. LCC have agreed to repair the railings. They did however state that this was not high on their agenda. Resolved that we would keep the item on the agenda until further notice.
  - ii. Cllr Betts also advised that the vegetation needs cutting back around the railings etc. Resolved that we would continue to chase this matter until it is completed.
  - iii. Cllr Hughes asked which railings were included in the scheduled work? Cllr Hughes also reminded the PC that there is a grant that we can apply for via LCC to get this railings work completed. Resolved that Clerk LT would investigate this and find the details so that we can push forward with this work.
  - iv. Clerk LT to contact Ticknall PC and see if they have the contractor details. All councillors are in favour.
  - v. Cllr Stafford will post on Facebook to ask for people to pitch for this work. Cllr Hughes will also contact a company in Swannington to ask for a quote too. Resolved that Cllr Stafford will assess the railings on Lower Moor Road to see if we can paint those which might therefore be indicative of the cost implications for the ongoing repairs.

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- d. Bakehouse
  - i. Nothing to add this month.
- e. Coleorton Wood – Planting of flowers by volunteer group budget request
  - i. Cllr Stafford requested a budget for wildflower bulbs. Proposed by Cllr Farrand and Seconded by Cllr Hughes, all in favour for a budget of £150.00. Cllr Stafford is now able to purchase wildflower bulbs for the wood as requested.
- f. Christmas
  - i. Cllr Hughes updated members of the PC re this years Christmas tree. Resolved that tree is all in place and the Parish Council wish to extend thanks to all involved in bringing Christmas to Coleorton this year. Thank you also to Cllr Mursell, Cllr Hughes and Cllr Stafford for their hard work.

## 7. Ongoing Matters

- a. Beaumont Centre
  - i. Nothing to add this month.
- b. Coleorton Wood
  - i. Nothing to add this month.
- c. Pitt Lane
  - i. Cllr Farrand and Cllr Betts met the contractor working on behalf of Severn Trent to discuss ongoing issues re the connection of property to mains water supply on Pitt Lane. The PC are concerned about how the work will be carried out and to what standard the subsequent repairs will be completed. Resolved that the contractor would go back to LCC with his recommendations and then refer findings back to Coleorton Parish Council. We would then relook at this matter.
  - ii. The question was raised as to whether the PC could pass the care of Pitt Lane back to LCC and alleviate ourselves of the burden of the upkeep and maintenance of this land. Resolved that we would await news of agenda point 7.c.i first and then relook at this matter. This action would require legal advice. Resolved further that we would add the matter on to our 3-year plan enrichment plan.
- d. Peggs Green + Overton Close – Small Woodland Review
  - i. It was raised that the footpaths from Bakewell Lane to Zion Hill was in need of maintenance. Angus Cameron was tasked with scoping out the work at a charge of. £40+ Vat. Resolved that this request was to be actioned. Proposed by Cllr Hughes and Seconded by Cllr Mursell. All in favour.
- e. Fly tipping
  - i. Cllr Farrand advised members of the PC re a meeting with NWLDC to discuss the fly tipping issue. Very constructive meeting during which the District Council have agreed aid the formation of a working party of 7 or 8 members to combat this issue. Cllr Akroyd went on to explain that the advert went out on Facebook for volunteer parishioners and the proposal is to meet virtually on Mon 14<sup>th</sup> Dec at 7:30 to kick this off. Resolved that Cllr Akroyd would keep members of the PC updated on progress and Cllr Stafford would post information about this on the Parish Council Facebook page also.
- f. Ivanhoe Line
  - i. Still under consultation. Resolved to retain on agenda. Cllr Farrand will search for the relevant contact.
- g. Boundary Change Petition
  - i. Ongoing. Resolved to leave on agenda.
- h. Speed Petition
  - i. Cllr Farrand is obtaining the speed camera from Michael Speck. Cllr Stafford enquired as to who would take responsibility for moving the camera around the village. Resolved that Cllr Farrand and Cllr Akroyd will take the responsibility for this and we would agree locations once the equipment was in the hands of the PC.
  - ii. Cllr Stafford enquired as to whether we could investigate moving the anchor points for the speed camera, so that they are in more beneficial places. Resolved that we would keep this item on the agenda and discuss this further once it was up and running.
- i. Stoney Lane Verge
  - i. Cllr Stafford advised that she was in the process of obtaining a licence to plant shrubs in this area. Resolved that Cllr Stafford would keep members of the PC abreast of any updates.
- j. Web Project

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- i. Cllr Stafford updated members of the PC on progress. The Website build is due to be completed in January following which Antz White would train Cllr Stafford and Clerk Louise Turner on how to upload documents and perform basic updates and upkeep. Resolved that Cllr Stafford would keep members of the PC updated on progress at the next meeting.

## 8. Mowing, Landscaping and Verges

- a. Nothing to report this month.

## 9. Spring Litter Pick March 2021

- a. Date agreed as Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> March. LT to contact the previous clerk re getting the apparatus for the litter pick. The question was raised as to whether there anything that Cllr Akroyd could do to help with the Spring Litter Pick. Resolved that Cllr Akroyd would mention this to the fly tipping working party next week. Resolved that Cllr Akroyd will also look at contacting NWLDC to book a collection of the litter picked during the Spring Litter Pick event.

## 10. HS2

- a. Cllr Hughes advised the Parish Council of a series of meetings held by LCC in Dec, Jan, and Feb. Each month a group of parishes come together to discuss issues arising from HS2. One discussion at the latest meeting included Corkskrew Lane. This month the discussion will centre around traffic management which would have implications for Coleorton. In January, the discussion will centre around community impact. Resolved that a member of Coleorton PC should attend these meeting to represent the village. Clerk will distribute the list of meeting to Councillors and then the PC will decide who is best placed to attend the meetings and feedback.

## 11. Finance and Accounts

- a. To review and sign off expenditure for November 2020: Approved.
- b. Precept for 2021/22
  - Cllrs would all like to freeze the precept for the coming year. Clerk to pull together the budget and then circulate amongst Cllrs for approval.
- c. Banking – Signatory Changes and Address Change and Online Banking; Clerk to investigate.
  - Cllr Mursell to be added as a signatory of the account.
- d. VAT Reclaim to be discussed in January.

## 12. Planning Applications and Appeals

- a. **APPLICATION REFERENCE** 20/01737/TPO  
**Proposal:** Works to 30 no. individual trees and works to 3 no. groups of trees (Protected by Tree Preservation Order)  
**Location:** Coleorton Hall Constable Way Coleorton Coalville

There were no objections to the above application from members of the Parish Council

- b. **APPLICATION REFERENCE** 20/01901/FUL  
**Proposal:** Erection of office development (class E(g)) including new vehicular access  
**Location:** Land South of A512 Between Loughborough Road and Moor Lane Coleorton, Coalville.

The Parish Council, together with several members of the parish have concerns about this application and wish to object. Resolved that Clerk will draft an objection letter on behalf on the Parish Council.

## 13. Members' points of information

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- a. Cllr Farrand updated members of the PC on what this item meant. We then went around the Cllrs and the following was reported:
- b. Concerns re the planning application above on Loughborough Road.

Meeting Ended and was closed by Chair Cllr Farrand at 21:21.

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